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Attorney Docket No.: OMRNP070

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.55)
(Regular application claiming priority of a foreign application)

Mail Stop: Patent Application
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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.55 in the name of inventors:
Takuya Murata, Katsuki Nakajima and Gaku Shiramizu

For: **METHOD OF AND DEVICE FOR READING OPTICAL CODE**

Assigned to: **OMRON Corporation**

Priority of prior Japan Application No. 2002-358330 filed on December 10, 2002 and Japan Application No. 2003-381375 filed on November 11, 2003 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 1.55.

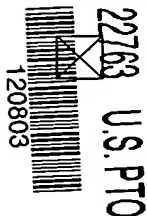
Application Elements:

- ☒ 28 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 15 Sheets of informal Drawings
- ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Separate Declaration

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☐ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☒ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
 - ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Claim For Foreign Priority



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Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

☐ Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	20	MINUS	20	= 0	x 18 =	0.00
INDEP.	8	MINUS	3	= 5	x 86 =	430.00
[] First presentation of multiple dependent claim					\$280 =	
Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a)					\$770 =	770.00
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